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JUST IN

A FINE STOCK OF WATCHES OF ALL KINDS.

The Newest Designs and best goods for the money ever shown in the city.

If you want a really good Watch for a reasonable amount of money come and see what we have to show you. Everything guaranteed.

Challoner, Mitchell & Co., 47 Government Street.

BARAINS.

No word so misapplied nor so misunderstood—and not one so threadbare and worn out—we never use it (with this exception)

As the Great Winter Sale draws towards its close you'll get many real money-saving opportunities afforded you.

New Arrivals!

New Goods!

New Chances!

ARE THE ORDER HERE.

8 pieces New Iridescent Checks, double fold, should be 50c. price is 25c.
New Coin Spot and Jacquard Window Muslins.
Nottingham Lace Curtains 50c. pair.
Irish Point Curtains.
Swiss Sash Nets.
Heavy Roller Crash 6 1-2c.
New Tartan Ribbons, No. 9, 10c; No. 16, 15c; No. 22, 20c.
4 dozen Superior Jet Hairpins (assorted) for 5c.
A parcel of Men's Rain Umbrellas, sample lot of about 4 dozen, your choice 50c. each.
New Oxley's Collars.

The Westside,

J. HUTCHESON & CO.

What's so Refreshing...

As a cup of very nice Tea?

For pungency and aroma our

Ram Lal's

IS UNEQUALLED

Smaller quantities can be used than of other teas with better results. . . .

SOLE AGENTS.

Erskine, Wall & Co.,

THE LEADING GROCERS.

Razor Stroops

Horsehide, Kangaroo, oak tanned, and Canvas hose straps in great variety. We show you how to use them. Try our Tyhee and Beacon Razors, each fully warranted.

AT FOX'S Sheffield Cutlery Store,

78 Government Street.

IF YOU WANT

Preserves, Mince Meat or Candies

ASK FOR OKELL & MORRIS'

They are Guaranteed Pure.

A Calm Before a Storm!

The future of gold mining is brighter than that of any other industry in the world. It is without a competitor. A great deal of money was made in following it last year. The next year will surpass anything ever known in any country. The interest in British Columbia mines is world-wide; shares and property will be much sought after; shares are lower now than for some few weeks. This is nature. At this time of the year when work is suspended on the mines that are in being opened up, and when the investing public is waiting for spring. There are signs of a steady advance. The time to buy is now. The time to sell will be about six months from now. Buy with judgment and care and you are almost sure to make good investments. We sell all reliable mining shares and are sole brokers for the "Albion" gold and the "Gibson" silver mines and strongly advise you to invest in them. We have mines, prospects and claims in the following districts, and others for sale to syndicates: Stikine Boundary Creek, Nelson.

British-Canadian Gold Fields Co. (Limited).
Geo. E. G. Brown, Local Manager.
Herbert Outhbert, Gen. Western Mgr.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.
FRENCH CODFISH DAILY AT 5c. per pound at the New Fish Store, 128 Douglas Street. Hotels supplied at cheap rates.
TO RENT—Wharf and shed, centre of city water front. Apply Munn, Holmes & Co., 261 Broad Street.
SOCIAL DANCE WEDNESDAY EVENING next in Philharmonic Hall, refreshments served; Wolff's orchestra in attendance. Tickets sold only at the door, 5c.
COAL—\$3.00 per ton, delivered; weight guaranteed. Munn, Holmes & Co., 261 Broad Street.

NOTICE.

Application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during its next session for an Act to incorporate the British Pacific Railway Company, with power to construct a railway from Victoria, British Columbia, to Winnipeg, Manitoba, via the Lake, Carlton, Edmonton and Prince Albert, with a branch line to a convenient port on Hudson's Bay, and a branch line through the valleys of the Canoe, Columbia and Kootenay rivers to the 54th parallel of latitude, with power to purchase, lease, amalgamate or work running arrangements with existing lines, or companies on the line of the proposed railway or connecting therewith.
Montreal, 11th Jan. 1897.

Spokane Falls & Northern Nelson & Fort Sheppard Red Mountain Railways

The only all rail route without change of cars between Spokane, Roseland and Nelson. Also between Nelson and Roseland.

DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.
Leave. Arrive.
1:30 a.m. Spokane. 7:50 p.m.
10:30 a.m. Roseland. 2:35 p.m.
9:00 a.m. Nelson. 2:30 p.m.
Close connections at Nelson with steamer for Kaslo and all Kootenay Lake points. Passengers for Kettle River and Boundary Creek connect at Roseland with stage daily.

MUNICIPAL CLAUSES ACT, 1896 NOTICE.

We hereby give notice that we intend to apply at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for a transfer of the license held by us to sell spirituous and fermented liquors upon the premises known as the Delmonico Hotel, situated at No. 127 Government Street, in the City of Victoria, to William R. Jackson, of the said city.
Dated this 1st day of February, 1897.
WILLIAM R. JACKSON,
WILLIAM PETRIE.

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AUCTION

Under instructions from Mrs. Kurtz I will sell, without reserve, at her residence
86 Quebec Street, Near St. James' Church

Tuesday, February 2nd,

AT 2 O'CLOCK.

Valuable Furniture, Piano,

Briois-Bras, Cutlery, Silverware, Paintings, Engravings.

(Contents of nine roomed house).

Unfurnished easy chairs, rockers, B.W. centre table, marble top, settee, book shelves, books, washstand, writing desk, safe, Japanese dining table and chairs, B.W. sideboard, hall stand, B.W. and other bed sets, woven wire box and top mattress, cupboards and carpet squares, leather pillows, bookcase, bed and table linen, hanging lamp, crockery, china, glassware, cooking utensils, 2 cooking ranges, one Edison lamp, Wren make in excellent condition, with water pump clothes wringer, garden hose, garden tools, and a host of other articles viewed in a well furnished house.
Sale will commence sharp at 2 o'clock; those wishing to obtain bargains should be on time.
J. H. HANNAH, Auctioneer.

SENTENCED TO DEATH

Mrs. Walter Carow of Yokohama
Found guilty of Poisoning
Her Husband.

The Jury Only Took Half an
Hour to Find a Verdict
of Guilty.

Sentence is Subject to Revision by
the British Minister—Miss
Jacob Released.

Yokohama, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Carow, who has been on trial here since Jan. 5th, charged with causing the death of her husband, Walter Raymond Hollowell Carow, Secretary of the Yokohama United Club, by the administration of arsenic, has been found guilty and was today sentenced to death. The jury was only out half an hour. The sentence is subject to a revision by the British minister. The summing up of the judge was against the prisoner. The prosecution of Mary Jacobs, the nursery governess, arrested on Jan. 10th on suspicion of being the mysterious veiled woman who figured in the case, has been dropped. The trial attracted much attention on account of the prominence of Mr. and Mrs. Carow in social circles here, and because of the similarity in some features of the case with the famous Maybrick trial, which resulted in sentencing Mrs. Florence Maybrick, an American, to imprisonment for life in England. The court held twenty-one sessions.

THE LATEST CIRCULAR

Quebec Catholics Called on to Support
Manitoba Schools.
Montreal, Feb. 1.—The administrator of the diocese has issued a circular which was read in all the Catholic churches yesterday, calling upon all priests and religious communities to contribute from \$5 to \$10 according to their means. The circular also contains remarks made some weeks ago by Mr. Berge, of Quebec, condemning Mr. Darr's book. Apart from this there was no interest attached to the circular in question.

ARIZONA TRAIN ROBBERS.

Bloodhounds Will be Used to Assist in
the Search.
Portland, Feb. 1.—Sheriff Cathode Douglas, who has been in the mountains since Friday with three well organized squads, exploring the trails of the robbers who held up the Southern Pacific train on Thursday night, has sent a messenger with instructions to secure a number of bloodhounds as quickly as possible, as he has secured a number of valuable clues, together with several garments which lead him to think he is on the right track. The wilds of an Arizona jungle could not be worse in which to pursue a man than the region in which the robbers are hiding. The country is sparsely inhabited and the few ranchers are not only owed into submission by the men suspected of committing the robbery, but forced to afford them every hospitable protection in order to save their property as well as their lives.

AMENDMENTS NOT POPULAR.

London Papers on the Senate Committee's Report.
London, Feb. 1.—The afternoon newspapers generally express great disappointment at the proposed amendments to the arbitration treaty and the Westminster Gazette hopes that public opinion in the United States will make itself felt before the senate acts upon the report of its committee on foreign relations. The Pall Mall Gazette says: "The committee is doing its best to make away with the treaty. It has not dared to have public approval but it has left it valueless." The Globe remarks that the amendment excludes every question of real importance and leaves the treaty meaningless. The most dignified course for the senate to pursue would be to declare that the treaty had become worse than useless and decline to ratify it. The Globe adds: "Not many tears will be shed over its fate, in spite of the premature cock-crowing."

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Since the death of General Aguirre the insurgents of Havana province have been without a real leader, though they have been provisionally commanded by Rafael de Cardenas. It is now reported an aggressive campaign will be carried on in the province of Havana by Gen. Rivera. Two nights ago a large fire was observed east of Havana. No light was the line that it attracted general attention. Being late at night the horizon in that vicinity seemed one continuous line of fire. Nothing was published about the matter next day but investigation disclosed the fact that the insurgents had made another daring raid in the vicinity of Havana, burning and looting the town of Barranera near Quinabacoa.

QUARANTINE LIFTED.

Big Shipment of Stock to be Made
From Ontario.
Toronto, Feb. 1.—The new regulations respecting the importation of Canadian cattle into the United States go into effect to-day. It is estimated that no less than ten thousand head of stock will be shipped to the other side within a few days. Experienced men in the trade assert that if the meat industry was once properly started in Ontario a large trade would be done with the Atlantic provinces.

BEAUGRAND BETTER.

He Will Soon be Back at Work on His
Paper.
Montreal, Feb. 1.—The story is going the rounds that when Mr. Beaugrand had a few hours to live, the sorrow of his many friends was deeply felt and the question was asked would he be reconciled to the church like Hon. Rodolphe Laflamme, or would he die as he had lived, like Joseph Drouin. Mr. Beaugrand also thought that his days were numbered and Hon. Mr. Laurier and Hon. J. Isaac Tarte hastened to his bedside. The worst fears were, however, not realized, and to-day Mr. Beaugrand is able to do some work for the paper he loves so well.

NOVA SCOTIA STRIKE.

Even the Fire Fighters at Springhill
Mines Called Out.
Halifax, N.S., Feb. 1.—The striking miners at the Springhill colliery have called in the men belonging to their lodge, who were fighting the fire in the east slope and none will be left to keep it confined to its limits, except a few men when the company can command. When the strike began less than two weeks ago the Provincial Workmen's Association Lodge was willing to allow its members, working at the fire, to continue there, but since the failure of last week to effect a settlement the strikers have resolved to force matters if possible by the present move. Representatives of the company state that this action would no doubt result in the spread of the fire.

MONTREAL NEWS.

All the Protest in Montreal District De-
clared Off.
Montreal, Feb. 1.—All protest proceedings, as far as Montreal district is concerned, are off. There will be no by-election here. On Friday Quinn was confirmed for St. Ann's division, and Saturday Penny was confirmed for St. Lawrence and Redick for St. Antoine. J. P. Tardivel, proprietor of La Vieille, Quebec, has taken action against Louis Frechette, the French-Canadian poet for \$50,000 damages for alleged libel. The alleged libel is said to have been written during the past year by Frechette and published in La Patrie.

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CAPTURED AT LAST.

Missouri Murderer Arrested in California.
Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 1.—By the capture of George Taylor at Manford, Cal., the last chapter in the most atrocious murder in Missouri's history has been begun. Requisition papers are to be gotten out immediately for the return of the noted murderer and death on the scaffold which awaits Taylor, will doubtless rapidly bring to a close the Meeks family horror. Bill and George Taylor were condemned to hang together for the murder of the Meeks family and while in the Carroll jail escaped on the night of April 13th last. Bill was caught on the roof of the jail, returned in his cell and in less than a month later was executed. George made his escape and until now has eluded capture, though he had been reported to be in many parts of the country. Gus Meeks, his wife, two little girls and baby were shot and beaten to death on the night of May 11, 1894, on a lonely road in Sullivan county, Missouri. Tom Taylor had been accused of making a big cattle steal. Meeks was a prominent citizen for the state and on the night of the murder the Taylor family were doing the family in the country, having paid Meeks for carrying out to appear against them. After most brutally murdering all but Nellie, nine years old, the brothers placed the bodies all in the straw stacks of George Taylor's barn. Nellie, though badly wounded, managed to crawl from the stack next morning and gave the alarm. The Taylors fled and for months the whole country round about the scene of the crime was up in arms. The murderers were in three months run down at their mountain home in Arkansas and brought back for trial. Several attempts to track them were made, but they were permitted to take their course. They had plenty of money and at the first trial succeeded in buying the jury. Several juries were tampered with and a new trial had. Finally the number in the first degree was returned and the sentence of hanging, which Bill has already undergone, must soon take place in George's case.

FROM THE CAPITAL

Hooper the Wife Murderer Must
Serve Out His Sentence of
25 Years.

Commissioner Appointed to Enquire
Into the Affairs at Stony
Mountain.

Messrs Fielding and Peterson to
Open the Tariff Enquiry at Win-
ning Monday.

Ottawa, Feb. 1.—(Special)—Sir Oliver Mowat has disposed of the petition asking for the release of John H. Hooper for attempting to murder his wife, and has decided that Hooper is rightfully imprisoned and that the sentence of the court must not be interfered with. This was the same decision reached by the late government. Hooper has served now three years of his 25 years' sentence. He will be sixty when liberated. This is the final drama in the very sensational case.

F. C. Wade, of Winnipeg, has been appointed commissioner to inquire into the charges against certain officials of Stony Mountain penitentiary for political partiality.

Mr. Messrs. Fielding and Peterson go to Winnipeg on Friday and open the tariff commission there on Monday. A proclamation will be issued this week calling parliament for March 11.

Messrs. Cartwright and Davies leave on Wednesday for Washington. The survey is completed of the site suggested for the new Dominion rifle range, in Hull, and shows some 2,300 yards of comparatively level land suited to the purpose with an almost perpendicular elevation behind of 170 feet, behind where the targets would be placed. Firing could take place at 200 yards range at the same time as the longer ranges are in use.

Sir Donald Smith, Canadian high commissioner in London, is desirous that Canada should co-operate in the plans for developing trade with the British empire, and writes to the minister of trade and commerce to have information forwarded to him by Joseph Chamberlain.

IT'S CAPT. SINCLAIR, M. P.

Lord Aberdeen's Former Secretary
Elected to the Commons.

London, Feb. 1.—The result of the election held in Forfarshire on Saturday for member of parliament to succeed Mr. J. M. White, Liberal, who recently resigned his seat, was the election of Capt. Sinclair, Liberal, until recently on the staff of the Earl of Aberdeen, Governor-General of Canada. The polling was as follows:—Capt. Sinclair, 3,423; C. M. Ramsay, Conservative, 4,005; Liberal majority, 428. At the last election, Mr. White, Liberal, polled 5,150 votes against 4,718; Liberal majority 441, showing a gain of 17 votes for the Liberals.

The Westminster Gazette commenting upon the election of Captain Sinclair for Forfarshire, on Saturday, says very few candidates could have overcome the difficulties faced by Captain Sinclair when he returned from Canada to contest the seat, adding: "The Liberals feared the result owing to the peculiar circumstances of Mr. White's retirement."

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Franklin, Ky., Feb. 1.—Bailey Edison and Lovell Whiteside engaged in a fight on the public square here to-day. Whiteside used his knife with such deadly effect that it is thought Edison cannot recover. After being separated Edison secured a pistol and returned, shooting Whiteside and killing him instantly.

A general meeting of the Victoria Rugby Football Club will be held this evening at the Hotel Victoria for the purpose of electing a captain in place of J. M. Miller. All members of the club are requested to be on hand.

HIGHBINDER FEUD.

Police Patrol in Frisco's Chinatown Increased.

San Francisco, Feb. 1.—Wing Sing and Chin Poy, the highbinder who have been under arrest for several days, were today formally charged with the murder of "Little Pete," the Chinese merchant and gambler, last Saturday night. These are the men who were caught immediately after the shooting in an alley adjoining the barber shop where the crime was committed. The authorities believe that the preliminary examination will lead to the arrest of other Chinese implicated in the plot to kill "Little Pete."

The number of police patrolling Chinatown has been increased from half a dozen to over one hundred. The Chinese New Year, with its attending festivities, begins to-day, and to celebrate the holidays, highbinder from all the Pacific coast cities have been gathering here, and have announced their intention of holding a carnival of murders. The shooting of "Little Pete," the most notorious member of the Chinese colony a week ago will be followed, it is feared, by other murders in reprisal. "Big Jim," a well known Chinese gambler, as prominent among the See Yups as was "Little Pete" in the Sun Yups, has been ordered killed by the latter, and has retreated to his ranch near Fresno for safety.

Patrolmen are driving all idle Chinese from the streets and arresting for vagrancy and other minor offenses all who look as if they might be parties to a highbinder plot. The rooms of the various tong of highbinder are raided several times daily to prevent any concerted action on the part of these murderous ruffians. All business in the Oriental quarter is practically suspended, the merchants and better class of Chinese citizens remaining within shelter of their own dwellings.

The Sun Yup Company is preparing for a battle to avenge the death of "Little Pete." This was shown last night when the police raided a highbinder meeting place in Fish alley. Ten Chinese were arrested and in their possession were found eight big new pistols. The weapons were of the latest model and ranged from .41 to .45 calibre. As one of the precautions against an outbreak in Chinatown, the police have been watching the gun stores. To-night the vigilance of an officer was rewarded by seeing a Chinaman enter a gun store and purchase eight pistols. He followed the highbinder, and at the proper moment a squad of police entered the house where he disappeared. Contrary to custom the Chinese were completely surprised. They were hustled off to jail and the police demolished the furniture of the room, which was elaborately fitted up.

BRITAIN TAKES A HAND.

Russia Not the Only Nation to be Ready in Case of Emergency.

New York, Feb. 1.—A dispatch to the Herald from St. Petersburg says: Considerable uneasiness has been caused by a telegram received from the Agency Russe to the effect that forty English warships, including eleven of the first-class battleships, are hovering between Besika bay and the Dardanelles. The matter is said to be likely to receive special attention at the meeting of Count Muraviev, the Russian foreign minister, with President Faure, of France.

London, Jan. 30.—The House of Commons has sanctioned a loan of £5,000 for a military scheme which the parliamentary secretary for the war office explained is part of a general scheme for national defence and includes increased provision for rifle ranges and the acquisition of Salisbury plan for a manoeuvre ground.

A Cure for Lame Back.

"My daughter, when recovering from an attack of fever, was a great sufferer from pain in the back and hips," writes Louise Grover, of Saratoga, Ky. "After using quite a number of remedies without any benefit she tried one bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and it has given entire relief." Chamberlain's Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. Sold by all druggists. Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver.

LONDON'S CONTRIBUTION.

The Lord Mayor Anxious to Raise a Million Pounds for India Relief.

London, Jan. 30.—The lord mayor of London, Mr. George Fandel Phillips, in an interview to-day, said that he wanted to raise a million pounds sterling, and he hoped he would get it. He added that it was rather singular that the champion donation (£2,000) came from an American, Mr. William Waldorf Astor.

The plague is still increasing in Bombay. There were 128 deaths announced on Thursday, the highest since the beginning of the outbreak. Doctors are being sent to Bombay from England, and several European countries are sending experts to study the epidemic. It is reported that Germany will recall Prof. Koch from the Cape, in order to head a commission to Bombay. The international conference at Venice on the 10th will be the occasion for the gathering of the most eminent sanitary experts in Europe, each country sending a representative.

The Mansion House famine fund has now reached £177,000, irrespective of the large subscriptions which are being raised in the big provincial towns.

These unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and neuritis should use Chamberlain's Little Nerve Pills, which are made especially for weak, sleepless, dyspeptic sufferers. Price 25 cents.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

These unhappy persons who suffer from nervousness and neuritis should use Chamberlain's Little Nerve Pills, which are made especially for weak, sleepless, dyspeptic sufferers. Price 25 cents.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Press Endorse Mr. Chamberlain's Statement in the House.

London, Jan. 30.—The grave remarks of the secretary of state for the colonies, Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Chamberlain, on the situation in South Africa have created a deep impression, more especially as they were unexpected. The members assembled in the lobby afterwards and discussed the passages in which he alluded at dangerous undercurrents in affairs at the Cape, and remarked that his tone in reference to the Transvaal was much sterner than his former utterances on the same subject. The Conservative papers endorse Mr. Chamberlain's attitude and the Globe expresses the hope that President Kruger will take the warning to heart. "For persistence, in all and injury if Boer dealings will only result in the assertion, once for all, of British supremacy in South Africa." The comments of the other newspapers point to the committee as expected to take up evidence of Boer treachery and intrigue.

President Kruger in an interview at Pretoria to-day with J. B. Robinson, the mine owner, promised a speedy reduction in railway rates to the gold fields, and said that the schools would henceforth be subsidised by the state, and the medium of instruction would be English. Referring to the statement made by Mr. Chamberlain yesterday that certain promises of reform made by President Kruger had not been kept, the president said that he would like a definite statement from Mr. Chamberlain as to what these promises were. President Kruger concluded the interview by emphatically declaring that he desired nothing but to maintain peace in South Africa and afford aliens every protection.

After's Cherry Pectoral is known by its works. The experience of half a century proves that no other preparation stops coughing and allays irritation of the throat and bronchial tubes so promptly and effectually as this.

BIGGEST IN THE WORLD.

Within recent years the city of Boston has had to lose their eight separate railway corporations and the desirability of providing improved facilities is leading to the gradual elimination of some of these stations, and when the plans now under consideration are carried out the city will have two large union terminal stations, one on the north side and the other on the south side of the city. The first of these has been in operation for some time.

It is now proposed to re-arrange the terminals at the southern end of the city, and the Boston Terminal company has been authorized by the legislature to establish a great terminal there, which shall serve as a substitute for those now in use in that quarter. The station will occupy about 40 acres.

The New York Engineering News contains a detailed description of the new station, which, as a whole, when completed, will have a capacity far in excess of any other in the world, and will be the first one in which any other motive power than steam has been recognized, and where such a large development of the land occupied has been effected. The train sheds will be in three spans, with a roof enclosing them of one sweep. This, together with the roofs of the baggage rooms on the two sides, will make the roof area 700 feet long by 50 feet wide, the largest railway building roof in the world.

At the stations whose traffic will be taken by the new station, about twenty-five tracks are used for passenger service, and these are even now overtaxed. The largest number of stub tracks proposed in the new station was 31, or very little more than the number needed as soon as the station should be ready. The question was then what greater accommodation could be provided later on when electricity or some other motive power may be in use and the computation train service may be largely increased. Even now the number of communication trains is about 60 per cent. of the total number of trains. At the present southern and western stations there are in the neighborhood of 3800 switch movements through these switch systems in a day of eighteen hours.

A radical departure from former precedents has been made by providing tracks upon two floor levels. The upper level will be devoted to the usual steam railroad stub track terminal station for the main line, or through trains, which go beyond communication points, and also for such suburban trains as it may be desirable to keep on the level. The lower level will be used exclusively for suburban trains, which may be run by electricity or any other motive power which avoids the nuisance and difficulty incident to smoke, steam and platform level will have the platform level a few feet above the street level, but will be reached by an easy incline, without any steps. This upper floor will be provided with 28 stub tracks. The 28 tracks will hold about 350 passenger cars when completely filled. There will be seven platforms, the entire length of the stub tracks, devoted exclusively to the trucking of baggage and express matter. The lower floor will have two loops, or circulating tracks which connect with the main tracks at points about half a mile from the station, the connecting curves and grades being suited to the light nature of the rolling stock required for suburban business.

The loop tracks enter the trainhouse at one side of the steam tracks, and at a grade about 17 feet beneath them, and as they enter the tunnel to pass on either side of the main line stub tracks. The loop tracks will be the loading platform, the outgoing passengers are upon the right platform for every suburban train using the station. The two outside platforms will be for unloading the passengers from incoming trains. These platforms are of such length that fourteen trains of three cars each may stand next to them, seven on each track. It is stated that when it becomes necessary to send out one train a minute it can be done, and then each train will remain in the station four or more minutes for quickloading and unloading. This means upwards of two thousand trains in and out in each day of 18 hours upon these two tracks alone which is five times as many as are at present run in the suburban service. The platform area devoted to this service will allow an assembling of about 25,000 people at one time. The first story and basement will be devoted entirely to railway purposes, and the second story to

Biliousness

Is caused by torpid liver, which prevents digestion and permits food to ferment and putrefy in the stomach. Then follow distress, headache, constipation, nervousness, and

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offices of the terminal company, general offices and restaurant rooms in addition to those provided on the first story. The third, fourth and fifth stories will be occupied by the offices of the several railway companies forming the terminal company. The ticket offices will have 24 ticket windows, and will extend along the side of the waiting room between the two vestibules, giving direct access to the trainshed as well as to the waiting room. The new station will contain every accommodation for passengers, railroad employees, express companies, mail messengers and carriers, telephone and telegraph companies which experience suggests as necessary or desirable.

The progressive ladies of Westfield, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for cramps, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." For sale by all druggists. Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver.

A GREAT EATER.

Charles E. Haring, a merchant in Westwood, N.J., claims to be the champion eater of the State of New Jersey, says the New York Journal. He has lately given substantial proof of his claim, having made a wager with Charles Wellner, a friend, that he could eat a barrel of apples in one week, the loser to pay for the apples. In less than six days Haring devoured the apples and said he would have attacked the barrel itself but for the licky hoops. He said he ate about 60 apples during the day and then slowed away 30 every night before retiring. Haring says that every day before dinner he eats three cakes of sweet chocolate candy and one pound of Turkish prunes just to give him an appetite for his meal.

Last night a party of young men met in the Park hotel. Walter Ottigson, the tallest young man in the village, who stands 6 feet 3 inches in his stocking feet, and has an abnormally girth, remarked that he could eat more oysters than any man in the house and would like to find some one who would pay for all the oysters he could eat. Haring, who was present, replied: "Oh, you can't eat oysters with me. I will bet I can eat more oysters than you can pay for." Ottigson wagered Haring \$1 that the latter could not eat 100 oysters. The contest took place in the oyster saloon of Joseph Horn, Mrs. Horn and her husband began opening the oysters, but Haring put them out of sight faster than the two could open them. In less than six minutes he had devoured 100 oysters, all there were in the saloon, and wanted to bet he could eat 500 more. As there were no more he had to be satisfied. Before he began to eat the oysters he drank two quart bottles of sherry, and when through wanted to bet he could drink two quarts more, but no one would accept the offer.

THE SKULL'S CAPACITY.

One of the most important branches in the study of anthropology and ethnography is the measurement of the capacity of skulls, and while it is easy to obtain outside measurements, it is by no means a simple matter to obtain the exact inside cubic measurement of a skull. The methods usually resorted to before this were the filling of the skull with leaden shot or whole peas. The contents being afterwards weighed to furnish comparative estimate. In the December meeting of the Berlin Anthropological Society Professor W. Krause introduced a new system for measuring the contents of skulls, inspired by a medical student of the Berlin University, M. Poll, which is easier, quicker and withal more reliable than the older methods. Poll introduces into the skull a rubber bag of very fine material, which he fills with water. Of course the rubber bag fills out every nook and crevice of the skull, and it is an easy matter to measure the cubic dimensions afterward by withdrawing the filled bag from the skull, inserting it into a graduated vessel and reading off the result. The heretofore difficult finding of the skull capacity is thereby converted into an operation which can be performed by anybody.

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Yours truly,
W. W. HODGES,
Holland Landing, Ont.

Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, at its next sitting, for the passage of an act to incorporate a company to be called "The Fraser Valley and Kootenay Railway Company," to construct, equip and operate a line of railway from some point on the Fraser River and the southern part of British Columbia, by the most direct and feasible route, to the Town of Kamloops, with power to amalgamate with, lease, purchase or otherwise acquire the Burrard Inland and Fraser Valley Railway Company, or any railway, or portion of a railway, either as a branch or part of such main line, to build a branch line or lines from the City of New Westminster to some point on the coast line between the International Boundary line and Puget Sound, and such other branch lines as may be deemed advisable to construct and maintain steam, electric, wire and cable, to make traffic and operating arrangements with other railway lines, and to construct, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines for other than railway purposes.

A. L. BELYEA,
Solicitor for the Applicants.

Indian Relief Fund.

In response to the following telegram from His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada:

Ottawa, 2nd Jan. 1897.
To His Honor the Lieut. Governor of B.C., Victoria, B.C.:

"After consultation with Dominion Ministry I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy."

(Sd) ABERDEEN,
Governor-General.

Subscription lists are opened at the following places:

City Hall, the Public Schools, Government Buildings, Supreme Court, Colonist Office, Times Office, Province Office and the Board of Trade Building.

It is to be hoped that the people of this city will respond liberally to the appeal for assistance on behalf of millions of our fellow subjects in India who are now suffering from famine and pestilence. The smallest contribution will be thankfully received, and the total amount realized will, I feel confident, show that Victoria is equally ready with her sister cities in the East to contribute her share to the Canadian fund for the relief of suffering humanity.

CHARLES E. REIDENBERG,
Mayor.

TENDERS.

Tenders, sealed and endorsed "Tender for Printing" will be received at the office of the undersigned up to Monday, the 1st February, at 4 o'clock p.m., for printing and binding 200 copies of the Annual Report for the Corporation of the City of Victoria, for the year 1896. The price to be at so much per page. Reports and samples of work may be seen in the City Clerk's office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOY,
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City Hall, Victoria, B.C., Jan. 26, 1897.

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NOTICE.

The First Annual Meeting of the Almoza Gold Mining Company for general business will be held on Thursday, Feb. 4th, 1897, at 4 p.m., at 4, Trousseau Avenue, Victoria, B.C.
By order of
G. T. WARREN,
Secretary.

NOTICE.

Yates Street between Douglas and Wharf is closed to traffic.
E. A. WILMOT,
City Engineer.

Kootenay Mines.

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A partnership has been formed between Archer Martin and W. H. Langley as barbers and opticians, under the firm name of MARTIN & LANGLEY, whose address for service of all papers and proceedings will be 45 Government Street, Victoria, B.C.

NOTICE.

I hereby give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at its next sitting, for a transfer to Mrs. M. C. Davies of the license now held by me to sell wines and beers by retail upon the premises known as the Middle Row Hotel, Yates Street, in the City of Victoria. Victoria, B.C., January 10, 1897.

MARY ANN CROFT.

NOTICE.

We hereby give notice that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria at its next sitting, for a transfer to William Thomson of the license now held by us to sell wines, beers and spirits by retail upon the premises known as the Alamo Saloon, No. 11 Yates Street, in the City of Victoria. Victoria, B.C., January 30, 1897.

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—Kodaks at Fleming Bros., Gov. st.
—Cretones, Denims, Muslins, Serges, Fringes, etc., at Weller Bros.

—Finnish Haddies and Glasgow Beef Ham at R. H. Jameson's, 33 Fort St.
—New Goods just received and cheap for cash at R. A. Brown & Co's, 80 Douglas street.

—A social and dance will be held by the Philharmonic Club on Wednesday evening at the Philharmonic Hall.

—The number of births recorded during the month just past was 30, the number of marriages 22 and the number of deaths 10.

—Lieut. Col. Prior has promised to give an annual prize of \$25 to be competed for at the meetings of the Victoria Garrison Rifle Association.

—The regular monthly meeting of the Friendly Help Association will be held on Friday, Feb. 5th, instead of Tuesday, the 2nd, in room 40, Market Hall, at 11 o'clock.

—Today Mr. John St. Clair's, gymnastic instructor of the public schools, new book, "The Dumbbell and the Little Folk's Magazine," goes to press. It will be issued in a few days.

—Burglars were again in evidence on Saturday evening in James Bay District. They visited the shops at the rear of Mr. Holloway's residence on Erie street and appropriated a can of coal oil and several articles necessary to the household.

—This evening the Royal School of Instruction will be organized at the Drill Hall under Lieut. Col. Rawstone, R.M.A. Great interest is being taken in these classes, and four or five officers will go up for certificates in addition to the many N.C.O.'s who will attend.

—The customs collections for the month just past are as follows: Imports, value of Free goods, \$26,902; dutiable goods, \$133,735; total, \$160,637. Exports, value of Produce of Canada, \$30,077; not produce of Canada, \$15,898; total, \$45,975. Collections—Duty, \$42,169.32; other revenues, \$3,652.42; total, \$45,821.74.

—The following is the summary of arrests made by the city police during the month just past: Drunk, 14; aggravated assault, 3; assault, 6; vagrancy, 12; public morals, 2; stealing, 8; housebreaking, 1; gambling, 2; malicious injury to property, 2; infraction of the revenue act, 5; unassured mind, 5; supplying liquor to Indians, 1; infraction of the city by-laws, 4; using threatening language, 1; causing a disturbance, 3; indecent exposure, 1; in possession of stolen goods, 3. A total of 70 arrests on the various charges.

—A large audience attended the promenade concert given by the Fifth Regiment band at the Drill Hall Saturday evening. The programme, an exceedingly good one, was very well rendered. Next Saturday evening the band will be assisted by the following vocalists: Messrs. J. G. Brown, Edward St. John and M. G. Douglas. At the Y.M.C.A. Hall also the weekly concert was given to a large audience. The feature of the evening was the "body building" exercises by the association's gymnasts under the direction of Mr. H. Roger, the secretary. Mrs. Muir and Geo. Eaton, Mrs. Lewis and Miss Haughton also took part.

—On Saturday evening the Victoria Building Society held its annual meeting. The reports showed the society to be in a good financial condition, and a dividend of \$3 a head was declared. It was decided to discontinue the issuance of shares after February 1. The election of officers resulted in W. D. McKinnon, W. W. Northcott, H. Erskine, C. D. Mason, M. McGregor, James P. Fell and A. Stewart being again chosen directors, and also in the re-election of A. R. G. Flint as secretary. Mr. W. D. McKinnon was subsequently chosen president. A. H. McGregor vice-president, James Taylor, secretary and Thornton Fell, solicitor. Appropriations were drawn for Cornelius Booth (wharves 1 A and B), L. G. Hill (55B), John Dean (400 B) and W. H. Redmond (190 C and D) being the winners.

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—The Riche velvet carpet is a beautiful fabric, strong, effective and elegant in design. Weller Bros.

—The U. S. government will sell the revenue cutter Wolcott by public auction in Seattle on February 15.

—What organization has any greater opportunities for increasing membership, necessary to maintain low cost of protection, than the Macabees? None.

—A meeting will be held on Thursday afternoon at the Metropolitan Methodist church for the purpose of organizing a mission band. All interested in missions are invited to attend. Miss Morgan will deliver an address on Japan and things pertaining to that country.

—A special rehearsal of the Metropolitan Methodist choir will be held tomorrow evening to practice for the concert to be given by them under the direction of Mr. Clement Rowlands on February 10th. The concert will consist of selections from the oratorio "Messiah."

—Besides other attractions at the Capital Lacrosse Club's grand smoking concert tomorrow evening at the A. O. U. W. Hall, there will be a four-round boxing contest between Prof. Foster (Old Tulip) and Prof. Dooley, also between C and J. Hill. The Capital Athletic Club will also give an exhibition.

—John Boyce, R. H. Staples, F. A. Metcalf, George Syre and M. D. Staples are registered at the Dominion hotel. They are a party of Manitoba farmers who are visiting the city in connection with the fair in wheat decided to take a pleasure trip to California. They spent several months there and are now returning to their farms in Manitoba.

—Ong Toy Hing, who was seriously ill, purchased a ticket to go home to China on the steamship Tacoma, but death came before the steamer sailed. The body was taken to Hansen's undertaking parlors and embalmed in time to be placed on the Tacoma and use the ticket which Toy Hing purchased for himself.

—A large number attended the funeral of Ernest James, which took place yesterday afternoon at two o'clock from the family residence, Victoria West, and later from the Methodist church. Rev. Mr. Spencer, and Rev. Mr. Freeman conducted the services. The pallbearers were James Ginnell, Hugh Curmish, James Irvine, Daniel Joseph, William Robert and C. Carver.

—The Canadian patent of the Acer Light Company has been sustained on all issues in the case recently decided in the Exchequer Court at Ottawa. There have been quite a number of lights imported into this city from the States and we understand it is the intention of those controlling the patent for Canada to at once sue the importers and users of the foreign lights for damages.

—On Saturday evening next Sheriff and Mrs. J. E. McMillan will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding by holding a reception at "Mountain View," their residence, on Cornsant street. A large cake is being made for the occasion by Henry Clay and will be exhibited in the window of that store on completion. The invitations are out, and it is expected that a large number of guests will respond.

—Henry Gant was up before Police Magistrate Macrae in the police court charged with using threatening language to his mother and sister. He promised, could he get inside the house, to get an axe and knock their brains out. He was convicted and bound over to keep the peace for twelve months in two sureties of \$25 and himself to give a surety of \$50 or six months' imprisonment.

—Ah Kwong is a very disappointed Chinaman, for just as midnight was chiming yesterday evening and Chinese New Year was being ushered in Officers Perdue and Palmer stepped up to him as he was standing in the Chinese quarter preparing to explode the festive cracker and told him they wanted him for \$5 from the till of David P. Lee's grocery store on Quadra street on January 23rd last. Kwong did not relish his arrest, and appealed to the sympathy of the hard-hearted officers for his release, but all to no avail, for he was brought before Police Magistrate Macrae this morning and sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labor.

—Mr. Rudolph Herling, of New York, the well known engineer, is registered at the Delard. He is returning home by the C. P. R. after spending several months on the Hawaiian Islands. While there, he carefully inquired into the water supply in the vicinity of Honolulu and in an extensive report he devised a scheme by which that city can have an unlimited supply of pure water, with plenty of power for water purposes. Mr. Herling is no stranger here. The city called for something like a water supply of the city some years ago and those were referred to Mr. Herling. He reported in favor of Mr. Mahon's separate system, and his decision was accepted by the council of that time.

—The fire record for the month of January is as follows: On the 9th two buildings were destroyed, their destruction being asked for by the owners. On the 10th a small fire at the residence of Mrs. Costello, Rendell street, damages, \$20; on the 21st a small fire at Rocca-bella, damage \$50; and a fire at W. J. Dwyer's residence on Pandora street, damages \$20. These three fires were extinguished by the occupants. A fire at W. Wilby's residence on Yates street, occasioned loss to the extent of \$75. On Thursday last a frame building was destroyed by fire in the Chinese quarter. The loss amounted to \$400. On Friday an alarm was sent in by someone who saw steam coming from between buildings in Tronca street. A total of seven fires, with loss amounting to \$265.

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DAY'S SHIPPING NEWS

British Ship Drumblair Arrives in
Royal Roads From Pisagua, Chili.

Empress of Japan and Tacoma
for Orient - Passengers
for Frisco.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company are determined to be prepared for the rush of people to Alaska this spring, and will after the first of March have four steamers on the route, a steamer being dispatched every five days. During February the Topeka will handle the traffic, but early in March the Akai and Mexico will assist her, and on June 5th the excursion steamer Queen will make her initial trip.

After considerable delay on account of time occupied in making repairs, the steamer Tacoma sailed for the Orient on Saturday night. She had fifteen sailon passengers, the majority of whom were missionaries, and 43 Chinese in the steerage. The steamer carried away all the freight that could be placed in her hold.

Another of the Drum line of sailing vessels arrived in the Royal Roads this morning. She is the Drumblair, and is in command of Captain Armstrong and little from Pisagua, Chili. The Drumblair had an uneventful trip. She called at San Francisco for orders and will go to Tacoma where she will probably load lumber.

The Unadilla will leave for San Francisco this evening with the following Victoria passengers on board: J. B. John, J. W. Ketchum, Mrs. A. Flett and children, L. Ostrowski.

This evening the Empress of Japan will call at the outer wharf on her way to Yokohama and Hongkong. She will carry a number of passengers and a full cargo of general merchandise.

The Pucella arrived up from San Francisco before eleven o'clock yesterday morning, having made the trip in less than 49 hours.

FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

The Subscription Lists in the City Up to the Present.

The subscription list of the contributions in the city towards the relief of the sufferers from the famine in India has now reached the amount of \$315. Today's subscriptions are as follows:

Bank of British Columbia—
Previously acknowledged .. \$208.00
Henry Gogan .. 2.50
Total .. \$210.50

Bank of Montreal—
Previously acknowledged .. \$15.
Capt. W. Richardson .. 3.
Mrs. J. G. Galletly .. 30
Total .. \$48

Times Office—
Previously acknowledged .. \$22.50
J. T. Bethune .. 20.00
S. G. Lewis, Chemist .. 5.00
Total .. \$47.50

Colonist Office—
C. H. S. R. .. 55.00
John Graham .. 5.00
H. Dumbarton .. 5.00
Total .. \$65.00

—J. B. Grant and E. C. Seckler were formally admitted to the Bar of British Columbia today.

Mayor Redfern and some of the aldermen of the waterworks committee, went out to Beaver Lake this afternoon in company with Rudolph Herling, the well known New York engineer, and City Engineer Wilmut, to inspect the filter beds of the city waterworks.

The following are the inland revenue collections:

Spirits .. \$5,000 78
Malt .. 1,280 70
Tobacco .. 1,639 24
Liquors .. 1,000 80
Methylated Spirits .. 59 44
Imp. petroleum .. 47 20
Total .. \$8,331 13

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Everybody considers it a luxury to use Johnston's Fluid Beef, and so it is, but when it can be bought in 16 oz. bottle for \$1.00 it is also economical.
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FLOATING IN THE WATER.

Bodily Decomposed Body Found Near
E. & N. Railway Bridge.

Mr. Nicholls, proprietor of the boat house near the E. & N. railway bridge, discovered the body of a man, in the water near his boat house this afternoon. Special Officer Carroll was notified and he hauled the body ashore. It was afterwards taken to the morgue. The remains must have been in the water a long time, as the flesh of the face and hands had fallen away to such an extent that there was little left but the bones. In the opinion of some sealing men who viewed the body, it is that of Harry Brown, a sealer. He was employed as a watchman on one of the schooners up to Dec. 23rd, when he shipped as a hunter on the Fortuna. He drew a month's advance and disappeared. It was then supposed that he had shipped with the advance money to the American side. When seen on the evening of the 23rd he was slightly under the influence of liquor, and probably he fell into the water while trying to reach the schooner. The clothes had not been examined up to four o'clock, and there may be papers in the pockets by which the identity may be more firmly established.

THEIR NEW YEAR BEGINS.

Chinese Celebrating the 23rd Year of the Emperor's Reign.

Just as the city clock tolled the hour of midnight residents of Victoria other than Chinese were awakened by the unusual sound of fire crackers and other explosives by which the followers of Confucius tell the world that their New Year has arrived. The Chinese are a conservative people, and when others make changes in calculating time they refuse to keep a continuous record of time, and when an emperor dies they begin afresh, consequently they observe in only the twenty-third year of twelve o'clock last night, or rather, to put it in their legal documents, the "twenty-third year of the reign of Kwong Suy," the present emperor. Kwong Suy has the distinction of having been born a king 23 years ago and has been ruler of the mighty empire since his infancy.

The Chinese are more particular in their dealings with each other than white men often are. Every merchant paid his debts and opened a new set of books for the new year. It is considered a great disgrace if a Chinese merchant is unable to pay off his debts before the new year, and if he is a man of standing, he would much rather end his life than face his fellow business men with debt unliquidated. That no such cases have been reported in Chinatown is, in a measure, proof that none of its merchants are insolvent. Last year one Victoria Chinese merchant thought it preferable to take chances with his goods than acknowledge to his countrymen that he was unable to pay them what he owed them.

Those same debts were not forgotten during the early hours of this morning. The lost house was crowded by Chinese in their "Sunday" clothes and armed with bottles of wine, fire crackers and joss papers. They did not leave the building until they were satisfied that each and every god was propitiated, and during the year into which they had just entered, they would have the favorable consideration of their deities.

Today was spent by Chinamen in calling upon their friends. They wished each other a prosperous new year. They did not shake each other's hands as white men would, but bowed and each shook hands with himself. They were visited by many white people, all of whom were received courteously and were asked to accept cigars and liquors of every description. The festivities will continue throughout the week. The Chinese theatre will be open night and day.

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

The Full Court sat today in Chief Justice Davies's chambers.

Judgment was delivered allowing the appeal with costs in Queen vs. Victoria Lumber Company. This was an appeal by the provincial government from a judgment of Judge Harrison, judge of the Full Court of Revision, disallowing the assessment on defendant's lands. The question arises over the construction of the B. C. Statutes 47 Vic. c. 14, sec. 22 (2), & N. H. Act, as to the meaning of the words "leased," sold or alienated in the act. The Full Court now holds the assessment proper and as a result the Lumber Company will have to pay about \$15,000 a year in taxes. Gordon Hunter for the plaintiff (appellant), and E. V. Redwell for the company.

Unlike most proprietary medicines, the formulae of Dr. J. C. Ayer's Sarsaparilla and other preparations are cheerfully sent to any physician who applies for them. Hence the special favor accorded these well-known standard remedies by the World's Fair commissioners.

Insurance That Insures

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A FIT OF THE BLUES.

BY THE DUCHESS.

Quitting her side, she skips obsequiously round the corner. But she has hardly had time to congratulate herself on her disappearance, when he returns to her again with even a jauntier air than that with which he left her. It is indeed with quite a relishing that he remarks himself beside her.

"Val was my hope," he says. "Our boatman continues obdurate. Signs and tears are wasted upon him. He comes not. Fortunately, however, my sweet girl, the evening is fine."

He has dropped upon the bank, close to Dorothy. She glances away from him with rather a suspicious air.

"Yes," she says, slowly smiling at him; and then—"You've been having another lounge, eh?" she says, very quiet, but in a peculiar tone.

The charming yellow of Mr. Giles' complexion becomes on the instant a brilliant saffron.

"I have," he says. "Sharp nose, eh? These lounges are the most remarkable things of the day."

"Just my idea," says Dorothy. "May I see one of them?"

"Dear girl, how unhappy it makes me to be obliged to refuse even so small a request of yours!" says Mr. Giles mournfully. "A moment since and I would have complied with you, although—"

"Remember what I told you about my dry throat—the compliance would have left me speechless."

"The want of compliance would be more likely to have that effect," thinks Dorothy to herself.

"But the fact is," continues the apostle of temperance, playfully, "that like a greedy school-boy, I ate the last of my goodness just one minute and thirty seconds ago. If I had known another little bird was pining for one, I should have saved it."

"If you mean me," interrupts Dorothy, "I don't care for your goodness. I am not a bird. I am a human being, and I am not a bird."

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He has altogether declined to look at her up to this.

"That careless boy, Micky Maguire, never brought the boat to meet us until an hour ago. So stupid of him, wasn't it?"

"Was it?" says Tom.

"There is something about your tone, Tom," says Miss Brown junior, with dignity, "that suggests the idea that you do not believe I am adhering strictly to the truth. If that be so, say so, but don't stand there glowering at me."

"I am glowering at nothing," says Tom, indignantly. "But I wonder you have the cold-bloodedness to come here and speak to me at all after the disgraceful way in which you have been going on with that old fellow."

"This is nothing to the point with a vengeance."

"It wasn't my fault that I was late," says Dorothy.

"Why did you go with him at all, gallivanting off to a desert island with a man old enough to be your father? I'm ashamed of you."

"But, my dear Tom, what was I to do? Control yourself a little, and let me say one word, at all events. Poor auntie, as you know, suffers so dreadfully from nervousness of spirits when left alone with Mr. Giles that out of sheer pity for her, I took him off her hands this morning for a little while."

"A little while! From twelve to seven a 'little while'! Oh, this is too much! I'm glad you have found the time slip away so quickly; shows how thoroughly you enjoyed yourself."

"Don't be absurd, Tom," angrily. "You know very well that I detest that man. It is to me a positive misfortune that auntie will invite him here off and on."

"Then let me congratulate you on the excellent fortitude with which you endure your misfortune," says Mr. Delmege, with what he fondly believes to be irony. But Dorothy will none of it. She smiles superior.

"There are few things so unbecoming as a snarl, unless well done," she says calmly. "I forgive me if I say, my dear Tom, that you haven't the pose for it! If I were you, I should give up trying that sort of thing."

"I shall give up more than that," says Tom. "Belief in you, for one thing."

"Because I took a walk to oblige auntie!"

"Because you choose to prefer that old reprobate to me? Because you permit him to make love to you. Begone!"

"Oh, Tom!"

"Well, doesn't he make love to you? Tell me honestly, now, what he was saying to you all this morning and afternoon and—"

"—with increasing warmth."

"You are so violent that really I don't know what to say to you. Come into the drawing-room; we shall at least be beyond the observation of passing grooms and stable-boys."

"This is a little more, meant to change the current of his thoughts, but it fails. Mr. Delmege once in the drawing-room resumes the attack with undiminished vigour."

"Well," he says, "do you mean to tell me he spoke 20 words of love to you today?"

"If he did, what does it matter?"

"It does matter. Did he propose to you?"

"Perhaps you don't quite know how rude you are," says Dorothy, at bay.

"Silence, or a refusal to answer, gives comfort," says Mr. Delmege furiously. "So it has come to this, has it? Well, I wish you joy of your Blue Ribbons. Take care he doesn't make you feel rather blue in the long run. A man with a long-tailed coat, and a mole on his nose! Well, I gave you credit for better taste!"

"That was good of you," says Dorothy, who is now fully as angry as he is. "I never expected you to give me credit for anything. It is really quite too kind of you. Anything else to say?"

"No, except good-bye. I'm going abroad. I'm—I'm going at once—this minute!"

"Don't let me detain you," says Miss Brown.

"I shall travel to the ends of the earth. I'm very fond of traveling."

"That's a good thing," says Miss Brown, cheerfully. "Where may the ends of the earth be?"

"I shall go to India first," declares he, disdaining to take notice of her question, "and from that—anywhere! Plenty of big sport in India; and besides that, it is a most agreeable advantage."

"There is"—with immense bitterness—"a paucity of women there!"

"Mrs. Evans is there," says Dorothy, placidly. Mrs. Evans was an old friend of Tom's. "If you happen to meet her, give her my love. I always thought her such a nice girl."

"So did I," says Tom.

"And so pretty."

"Such a great!"

"And such a heavenly temper!" says Miss Brown, with growing enthusiasm. Now, as Mrs. Evans in question had a temper of the worst description possible, this last remark leaves Mr. Delmege somewhat stranded.

"At all events, she wasn't a flirt," he says, with accumulated scorn.

"A pause ensues—a terrifying pause. Then Dorothy slowly advances on the toe until she is several feet nearer Tom than she was before. This tactic reduces him to that state commonly described as 'shaking in one's shoes.'"

"What do you mean?" asks Miss Brown junior, in an awful voice. "What do you mean by that?"

"Nothing, oh, nothing!" murmurs Tom, now thoroughly subdued. What on earth possessed him that he should make the unfortunate remark?

"Yes, you did," says Dorothy, still horribly calm. "Don't deny it." She advances even closer, and brings her face within a hair's breadth of his.

"Tom makes a backward movement that places a gyp table between him and the enemy."

"You meant every word of it," says Dorothy. "You called me—a flirt."

"I did not," says Tom, faintly.

"Don't contradict me," says Miss Brown, with a second stamp and a few more steps that bring her up to the table.

"You did mean it; but now you are ashamed of yourself and—"

"Come here if you dare and say it all over again! Come out from behind that table! Tom Delmege; it isn't a secret you!"

"I won't," says Tom. He seems to be sitting to his table as a last resource. Miss Brown very justly increases by this point-blank refusal to obey her command makes a final move. She puts out her hand.

No doubt she only meant it for a single gesture, but Tom, unfortunately, is under the impression that it is a declaration of war. He takes her hand, and she takes his. He takes her hand, and she takes his. He takes her hand, and she takes his.

"Well, here I am," she says to him, brightly, in the cheerful tone of one, as a beginning to the hostilities.

"Do sorry you hurried yourself," says Tom, taking his gaze slowly from her lips and dropping it very the balcony.

"I didn't," returns she evenly. "Don't make yourself uncomfortable about that. There you forget that you told me you would be here to see me today at five. I didn't forget it, and quite surely to be back, but you saw I wasn't."

Miss Brown that she trips, comes suddenly against the table, and sends it heavily to the ground. It is covered with little glass and china ornaments, so that a most resounding crash ensues upon the floor, followed a few moments later by the sounds of hurriedly approaching footsteps.

"Aunt Jennie!" exclaims Dorothy in an awe-stricken tone; and turning suddenly toward the upper door, she flies precipitately from the spot.

Tom (being the man) of course loses his presence of mind, and only recovers it when too late. His attention at a first is rendered abortive by Miss Jennie, who, entering the room in mad haste, catches him in the very act of making his escape.

"Good heavens! what has happened?" cries she, gazing in dismay at the ruins of her feet. My Chelsea cup is smashed! My Dresden vase is in bits! Oh, Tom Delmege, come here! Where are you going? Tom Delmege is in that disgraceful hurry! Come here this moment, sir, and confess that this is your act!"

With a movement full of wrath, the old lady points to the debris upon the carpet, and to the gyp table, lying prone upon its side, looks as though it were kicking up its heels in a most unbecomingly manner.

"Poor Tom, with a most unbecomingly countenance sweeps slowly back into the room, and on his slender knees, and with flushed cheeks, proceeds to pick up the broken bits of glass and china beneath a perfect volley of abuse—abuse too, to which he has no claim. But, though he tries to hate her, there is sweetness in the thought that he is ending it for Dorothy. He is still crawling about the carpet, and Miss Brown is still giving him her opinion of him in no measured terms, when a servant enters the room.

"Micky Maguire is below, miss, and wants to see Miss Dorothy."

"Let him wait," says Miss Jennie, still fuming. Oh, my previous prediction! "goodness knows, I look at my best bit of Valerie! Would his own mother—I mean his own mother—know it? Tell that miscreant, Micky Maguire, that Miss Dorothy will never again see him after his treatment of her to-day."

Tom pricks up his ears.

"As ye please, Miss Jennie, 'tis myself has come to explain all that," he says, rising and going to the door; and enters Micky much dishevelled from hard running and mental disturbance.

"Go away, Maguire! It is of no use your trying to excuse yourself," says Miss Jennie, sternly. "I have the whole story straight from Mr. Giles' own lips."

"Then, kindly begone, yer pardon, miss, ye couldn't have it from a greater blaggard," says Micky, with the utmost indifference.

"Conor, remove this boy," calls Miss Jennie vehemently addressing the departing servant.

Just at this moment the upper door is gently pushed open, and Dorothy, looking as innocent as a dove, appears upon the threshold.

"Dear me who threw down the table?" asks she looking with deep horror upon the shattered remains of the Chelsea cup.

"Was it you, auntie? or was it—eh? Tom!" Her reproachful glance at Tom is shortened as she catches sight of Micky in the background.

"You here?" she exclaims. "Oh, away can't think Maguire what brings you here after your disgraceful conduct this evening."

"If ye'd only let me speak, miss, Micky nervously twisting his old 'doubt' round and round upon his fingers. "Sure 'twasn't my fault at all at all. 'Twas the old gent as done it!"

"Mr. Giles didn't make you late?" says Dorothy.

"Yes, an' that's just what he did miss; that very same, but look to him!"

"Boy," says Miss Jennie severely putting up her glasses and uttering him to an awful state "recollect your self!"

"That's what I'm doin' miss. I'm recollectin' as hard as I can. An' here's the very words he said to me. Says he 'Come for us at six o'clock' and he 'Not a minute sooner' says he 'or be the powers I'll have the life of ye' says he."

"Boy," says Miss Jennie again in a stern tone meant to reconvert him to the paths of truth.

"But when did he say all this?" asked Dorothy bewildered.

"Aisy this mornin', miss. Before I ever started to come to see to tell me to be ready for ye at the landin' place an' 'twas thin he said this very words. I didn't believe him then miss; but when I heard a while ago that ye were mad intirely wid me for bein' so late it struck me that the old vagabone was playin' some game."

"Boy," says Miss Jennie, but rather more faintly this time. "Have a care!"

"A what miss? No thank ye, miss. It's too airy for thin foreign wiles; an' Father Jerry would be de death of me if he heard of it. But indeed Miss Dorothy 'tis the solemn truth I'm tellin' ye about that old gent wid the moulin on his nose. Did ye ever hear miss that would be very outsize? Fair they are as miss, an' I'd have ye take care of him. Have nothing to do wid him, Miss Dorothy. Any one wid a moulin could bring down the devil's own disrepute on any one that vexes them."

"I must request you," says Miss Jennie, "that we have no cursing and swearing here. And—how are we to know that your words contain truth? It was only a moment since that Mr. Giles was doing reproaches to me in the most fervent language, the unfortunate delay caused by your carelessness."

"Bring me face to face wid him miss! He promised me a 'shillin' for me day's trouble, an' divil a rap have I seen yet. When he was leavin' the boat I introduced me hand to him, miss, an' he said, 'The old hag above would see to it, miss, yer honor's self, miss, an' an' yer pardon for repeatin' it, 'tis no concern of mine, an' I'm off, an' I'm off, for bein' very strong."

"Oh, heavens!" says Miss Jennie, sinking to a chair. "What is this I hear? Have I lived all these years to be called 'an old hag'! Oh, my dear Tom, won't you see me righted? Won't you chase that villain! That wolf in sheep's clothing! Oh, my poor Dorothy, to what a life I was carrying you!"

Just at this point opportunity moment the door is softly opened, and Mr. Giles puts in a fat face aglow with loving smiles.

"Am I welcome?" asks he, with his most playful air, appealing to Miss Jennie. But that maiden has her foot in the door, and she is not to be moved.

"Monner!" cries she, shaking her head at him. "Auntie! out of my sight, villain! Away!"

"But what! How is this? Has my dear friend taken leave of her senses?" demands Mr. Giles changing color as he sees Micky.

"It means that we have discovered your creditable little scheme to cause a breach between me and my affianced wife," says Tom promptly drawing Dorothy's willing hand through his arm. Tom is a young man of a ready wit and many resources and it always up to time.

"And where may she be?" asks Mr. Giles. He is a man who takes Tom as being honest. He makes a dash forward and is seized by Dorothy.

"Here!" she says to Mr. Giles, answering his question by a motion of her disengaged hand that indicates herself. Tom has also added her strength to Dorothy's to prevent his falling on the floor.

"This boy, Micky, has just informed us of your baseness, you infer—"

"Thomas! beware!" says Miss Jennie. "Do not be a partner with him in vice. Keep from evil words. Go man!" to Mr. Giles. "I can't hold him much longer. Do! whilst your skin is whole upon your body."

"This is sad—very sad!" says Mr. Giles. "The old Adam breaketh forth again. Oh, how degrading are the effects of alcohol!" He groans diemally, and making a cautious movement toward the door, runs almost into the arms of the upper housemaid.

She is a pretty girl, but at this moment without her temper. She gives the honest Mr. Giles a vehement shove that sends him tottering back once more into the drawing-room.

"See here, miss," says she, advancing toward Miss Jennie. "Look at this, here, which I found under his belt this morning." She casts a withering glance at Mr. Giles, and holds up for general inspection a large black object. Also for the apostle of temperance. Also for the Blue Ribbon! It is a brandy bottle. "I'll teach you to chuck me under the chin again!" says she, shaking it angrily at Mr. Giles.

He is growing very yellow. But he makes a last feeble effort to support his cause. "There is such a thing as martyrdom!" he moans, lifting his eyes until only the whites of them can be seen. This on his part is a foolish proceeding, as it dims his vision for the moment, and in that moment Tom gets him. Breaking loose from his gentle chains, he falls upon the foe, and when next Mr. Giles' eyes return to earth it is to find himself in mid-air, flying down the broad stairs, case at a speed hitherto unknown to him. Despite innumerable bruises, however, he picks himself up off the hall mat, and beats a hasty retreat from the Towers, never to return.

The housemaid and Micky Maguire, filled with deep joy, retire to the lower region. A silence falls upon the stairs left alone in the drawing-room. It is broken by the butler.

"Dinner is served," says he, in the sonorous voice with which Nature has endowed him. It acts upon Miss Jennie like an electric shock. She bursts into tears.

"Tom," she says, plaintively. "I am quite unstrung. I am ill. Tom—very ill. Something is wronging me very badly."

As if unconsciously she detaches the Blue Ribbon from her dress and holds it out to Dorothy. "Perhaps it is this, my dear! It reminds me of that bad man. Put it carefully away somewhere, where—where I can't see it. And, Tom, I feel very weak; I think I should like—as—just a thimbleful of champagne—but no more, no more!"

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SESSION IS ENDED

Annual Meeting of the B. C. Fruit Growers Concluded on Saturday Night.

Resolution Passed Expressing the Fruit Growers' Opinion of Tariff Revision.

R. M. Palmer Reads an Instructive Paper on Dead Spot on Apple Trees.

Mr. F. L. Sears Shows How Fruit Should be Packed for the Market.

The closing session of the successful annual meeting of the Fruit Growers' Association was held on Saturday evening, when a report from the committee on the proposed revision of the tariff was received and several papers read and discussed.

Mr. Kipp, of Chilliwack read a paper on "Spraying," which contained many useful suggestions, being the result of two years' careful experimenting in his own orchard. He gave the ingredients of which he made the effective sprays and the time the same should be used. This paper evoked considerable discussion, many of the members giving their experiences in using "sprays."

BARK DISEASE OR DEAD SPOT.

Paper Read by R. M. Palmer on This Subject.

Mr. R. M. Palmer addressed the association, warning them against the San Jose Scale, which had made its appearance in the province and which was hard to detect excepting on the fruit. He also read the following paper on the "Dead Spot":

"This disease is reported from all districts of the Lower provinces, as prevailing to a greater or less extent, in many instances killing young trees. There is still great diversity of opinion in regard to this disease or condition of the apple tree. Prof. L. B. Pierce, who was specially detailed by the United States department of agriculture for the purpose, has been making a careful systematic investigation regarding the disease as it occurs in Oregon and Washington, and although the investigations are not complete, it is stated that 'dead spot' is the result of a parasitic fungus which is probably transmitted from tree to tree by means of spores, blown by the wind, or carried by insects, etc. Mr. M. O. Lowndes, of Lafayette, Ore., who has also studied the disease, writes me in regard to it as follows:

"Dead Spot is caused by a deep-seated fungus that finds its sustenance in the inner tissues of the bark and only appears on the surface for the purpose of spore formation and reproduction. The mycelium of the fungus spreads in various directions through the bark and can generally be cut out without any injury to the tree, stripping off all the dead outer bark, and diseased tissue. After the fungus has attained its growth it produces its spores in small excrescences on the surface of the dead spots. These little pustules burst, when the spores escape, and are carried by the air and insects to other trees and other portions of the same tree. They germinate in autumn, and begin to penetrate the bark at once, and repeat their cycle of growth. The spore bearing vessels burst during July and August, and as no spray can reach the fungus after germination, a midsummer spraying, when trees are badly infected, is important.

"As an ordinary preventative autumn spraying would probably be sufficient, but in severe cases both should be used. All dead spots should be cut out and burned, for they hold myriads of spores that only await a favorable opportunity to produce new infections. The midsummer spray to use on bearing trees would be five ounces copper carbonate and three pints ammonia in 45 gallons water. On young trees, or trees not in fruit, six pounds sulphate copper, six pounds lime, 50 gallons water. The autumn spray should be six pounds sulphate copper, ten pounds lime, 50 gallons water. It will be noted that these sprays are about one-half stronger than the ordinary Bordeaux mixture as advised for use in British Columbia.

"In British Columbia I have observed that dead spot does not occur in the interior valleys, and either not at all or to a very slight extent in orchards of the lower province situated on well-drained plains of fine, such as claim small beaches where there is a good under drainage. It is now pretty well established that many soils on which orchards are planted contain a very small per centage of lime, and again the question of proper drainage of orchard land has not received the attention required. I have frequently noted that fruit trees are standing in soil where the water table during the winter months is almost or quite level with the surface. Now, whatever direct treatment is made to trees affected with 'dead spot' it is most important that these matters should receive attention—healthy trees cannot be expected, on such soils, to be free from 'dead spot'.

"They be treated properly 'sanitary conditions' and supplied with the elements of plant food, necessary to promote healthy growth. Where wood ashes are available in sufficient quantity, they should be used freely in the orchard, and if not obtainable, lime and muriate of potash in their place, and if convenient, well worked in with the harrow or cultivator in early spring, as far as the roots of the trees extend.

"In planting new orchards, care should be taken not to plant the trees too deep. I draw attention to this, as I find it is rather a common error, and one very difficult to remedy later on.

"On soils inclined to be wet, it is better to plant on or near the surface, as it would on the soil after the roots of the trees.

"For young trees, stable manure should be applied very cautiously, as it stimulates wood growth to an undue

extent. On some rich soils it has been observed that frequent cultivation was the same effect.

"In regard to these matters orchardists should study their soil and local conditions, the aim being to produce a fair amount of new wood on trees every year, which will harden and ripen up properly in the fall, and avoid the production of overgrown sappy shoots, which apparently indicate a condition of the trees highly favorable to the development of 'dead spot'.

"Give your fruit trees as nearly as possible 'ideal conditions' by planting on soil suitable for the purpose, and supplying proper care, cultivation and plant food, then if disease appears treat them with remedial applications designed to destroy the intruding disease or parasitic growth."

GRADING AND PACKING FRUIT.

Mr. F. L. Sears Reads a Paper on This Subject.

Mr. F. L. Sears of Cedar Hill read the following paper on packing fruit for the market:

This is a subject which has been written upon, on so many occasions, that any ideas or suggestions that may be advanced, will to a great extent, be a reiteration of former efforts in that line. But as there are always new members joining the association, who may not have any experience in the grading and packing of fruit, and also many of the old members who have not profited as much as might have been expected from the advice given to them in former papers read by other members of this association, I thought it would not be amiss to offer a few suggestions on this very important subject to fruit growers, believing that much of the value of any paper read on an occasion like this, lies in the discussion which it brings about more especially when the most experienced growers of the province are gathered together, and can by the expression of their ideas, gained by past experience, give the members many useful pointers in regard to the best methods of preparing their fruit for market. If the growers of this province expect to sell their fruit in competition with the attractive and neatly packed fruit, imported from abroad, they must be prepared to discard the slipshod methods of gathering and packing which have prevailed with too many of them in the past.

The day has gone by, when fruit brought to market, thrown into packages of all kinds and sizes, can be sold at the same price as fruit properly packed in a clean and neat box. I believe the time has arrived when the fruit growers of this province should come to a definite conclusion as to the sizes of packages to be used for the different kinds of fruit, and then ask the government to pass a law making that a standard, for it is not until such action is taken that we will be able to secure uniformity in size of packages. An attempt was made some two or three years ago by this association to attain this object by recommending the use of certain sized packages, but very little has come of it as we still find growers using almost any kind of box and of various sizes, some even using apple boxes for both apples and pears. I believe the time has arrived when the fruit growers of this province should come to a definite conclusion as to the sizes of packages to be used for the different kinds of fruit, and then ask the government to pass a law making that a standard, for it is not until such action is taken that we will be able to secure uniformity in size of packages. An attempt was made some two or three years ago by this association to attain this object by recommending the use of certain sized packages, but very little has come of it as we still find growers using almost any kind of box and of various sizes, some even using apple boxes for both apples and pears.

The securing of uniformity may seem to some to be difficult to attain, but I do not share in that opinion, for in reality, there is very little difference of opinion, except in regard to apple boxes of which several sizes are used for Gravensteins and a fancy grade of apples, but, as in British Columbia only a small quantity of Gravenstein are grown, and the amount of apples that would grade as fancy is limited. I think you will agree with me that one size of box will suffice for all kinds of apples, except crabapples. Last season the B. C. Fruit Exchange adopted a size of box, holding from 40 to 45 pounds of apples, the only fault found with it, and with which I fully agree, was that too much space was left between the pieces forming the top and bottom of the box. I think that if these pieces were cut a little wider so as to nail close together in the centre, leaving only a space of one-quarter of an inch on each side, we should then have a box well adapted to our wants and affording ample ventilation to the fruit as well.

The suggestion has also been advanced that an attempt should be made, in conjunction with the neighboring states, to secure uniformity. Now as the market for British Columbia apples is entirely at home, and will continue to be so for some years yet, I think we could safely adopt a standard of our own, and then buyers would know what they are getting when buying apples, and growers would be placed on an equality with each other. In regard to pear boxes there is no difference of opinion. The standard box adopted in California being used in Oregon and Washington, and has also been recommended by this association. It is well adapted for the purpose and will hold 45 pounds of closely packed, wrapped pears.

For plums there are two kinds of packages used in the Pacific coast states, viz., the 20-pound box and five-pound tin-top grape baskets, placed four in a crate. This style of package would also answer well for shipping currants.

The twenty-pound box does well enough for the home market, but will not give as good satisfaction for shipping as the crate and five-pound baskets, which have come into general use in California.

the exportation of all kinds of fruit, we could not so very far wrong, if we were to adopt the style of packages generally in use in California, and could rest assured that they are the best that years of experience have suggested.

The twenty-pound eastern baskets have to some extent been used in this province. They make a neat attractive package for answer well for short distance shipments, but for long distance shipments to a long distance, they are not equal to the crates and five-pound baskets.

As for cherries, either of the boxes used in California or Washington is well adapted for shipping. Five-pound baskets made in the East have been tried in British Columbia and have given satisfaction, but they would cost more than the boxes.

Concerning strawberries, the one-

pound baskets and crates made in the East are well adapted for shipment. For the local market, the five-pound basket used for plums makes a very neat and convenient package and will hold four pounds of strawberries, raspberries or blackberries. It would not do for shipping.

In Michigan a law has been passed requiring that packages made for fruit must be marked plainly on the outside, not on the bottom, with their real capacity. The passage of the law was secured by the fruit growers to protect honest growers and shippers from being obliged to meet the ruinous competition of those who use under-sized packages. A similar law might be of benefit in British Columbia, as large quantities of strawberries are imported into this province, packed in square one-pound boxes, the bottoms of which are adjustable. This package, if honestly put together will hold one pound of fruit, but the bottom is very often placed so high that it will hold considerably less. The home grower is thus placed in unfair competition with a short weight package and the consumer is robbed as well.

Now for a few words re the packing and grading of fruit. Fruit should always be picked by hand and carefully placed in the box; it should never be shaken from the tree, or be handled roughly, as fruit, not only will not keep but loses that good appearance which carefully handled fruit has. After the apples have been picked they should be graded; all undersized, ill-shaped or seamy apples should be put aside to be sold to cider makers or fed to hogs.

In packing apples the first layer should be placed in the box being raised a little at one end to facilitate the work, after that the apples should be closely packed by hand, but should never be thrown in. After the box is full I have found it a good plan to cover the apples with a folded sack, and placing a board over the sack, to press down the apples with the knee. The apples are thus pressed tightly in the box, and it is easy to nail down the cover without leaving the fruit. In regard to pears, the great mistake which many growers make is that they allow their pears to remain too long on the trees. All pears should be picked by the end of September (that is around Victoria); they will then be more juicy and will keep longer after ripening than if they had been allowed to remain longer on the trees, although they may be smaller in size.

Pears are so easily bruised that they should be graded immediately after picking and placed in a cool, dry room to ripen. The rule for grading apples will also apply to pears. Pears should always be wrapped in paper and placed in the box one at a time; if properly packed the box will hold four layers of good sized fruit. Pears not wrapped in paper will bruise in conveying to market and after being taken out of a fruit house where the temperature varies but little and exposed to the wind and sudden change of temperature in the open fruit stands will not keep long, whereas those wrapped in paper will keep long. As to when pears should be picked a great deal depends on the distance to which they are to be shipped. They should never be allowed to remain on the trees until they are dead ripe, not even for the local market. Dealers will not buy pears as a rule that cannot be kept for at least a week. If the 20-pound box is used, the pears should be arranged in layers, not thrown into the box, three layers of good sized fruit filling the box. By raising the box at one end the pears will roll into place very easily. Care should be taken to reject all over-ripe or scrubby fruit. If the five-pound baskets are used the pears should be arranged so that the baskets when filled present an even appearance, a piece of paper being put in the basket before placing the top layer.

Raspberries and blackberries should never be allowed to get over-ripe, but should always be picked when ripe enough; every day would be about right. In conclusion I wish to make one more suggestion which might, if carried out, be of some benefit to growers, namely, that the Board of Horticulture should take steps to have lectures given to growers at the time when fruit is ripening, together with practical lessons in packing, such lectures to be given by our able and efficient inspector of fruit pests, provided it would not interfere too much with his other duties.

TARIFF REFORM.
Committee on Tariff Present Their Report.

Messrs. Munro, Miller, H. Kipp and D. Stevens, the committee on tariff, presented the following report:

"Your committee to whom was referred the communication of the minister of agriculture re revision of the tariff has the honor to report as follows: Your committee believe that the true policy of every government is that policy which will cause the greatest investment of capital and secure the best returns to the laborer and the investor. British Columbia being comparatively a new country her industries are to a degree undeveloped, and unless protection is afforded they are liable either to languish or remain dormant for an indefinite period. We would also call your attention to the imports into British Columbia from our neighbors to the south, and point out that if protection is continued, although we may not be able as yet to supply our home demand, we will become a good market for the products of our sister provinces of the East.

"To particularize would be long and tedious and possibly not accomplish nearly so much as a short conference with a committee appointed by you for that purpose.

"Therefore, he it resolved that this association believes that the tariff laws as affecting agricultural interests, should not be lowered."

M. J. Douglas, of Cobble Hill, strongly protested against such a resolution, which he characterized as one passed for the selfish purpose of endeavoring to benefit one industry at the expense of others. He had lived for thirty years in the province and was protected before he had anything to protect. If he had as much money in his pocket as protection had taken out of it, he could stay longer in Victoria and behold those who were fighting with the tariff question. Protection was a parasitic appendage. It endeavored to give special privileges to the individual and crush the masses. The fruit growers should look rather to encourage a policy that would bring prosperity to the country as a whole than endeavor to secure

special advantages for themselves. The freight rates which at present prevail ought to be plenty of protection for anyone adjacent to the market. Since he bought his first axe to hew out a place to build a cabin for himself, he had been paying extensive tribute to this policy of protection. If his wife wished to purchase a needle to mend his and the children's clothes, she found the eye of protection punctured through it. It was a remarkable fact that the richer a man was the more he cared for protection. The whole trouble was that in these days people neglected to cultivate the soil and looked for the government to give them everything.

Mr. David Stevens said that they had only to look at the prices across the bar, to know that if the tariff wall was broken down, their markets would be monopolized by American producers. He believed the tariff act should be so amended that the tariff on certain articles could be amended or abolished when a foreign country found it in its interests to do so. He thought the duty on malt should be increased in order to encourage barley growing in British Columbia.

Mr. Munro Miller thought the different associations should appoint delegates to meet the committee of the government should they visit the provinces. "One Thos. Cunningham," of Dewdney, described how Oregon and Washington were settled. Settlers got all the land they wanted free of charge and the land required no clearing. The farmers of British Columbia, who had to clear their land, could not compete with those of Washington and Oregon. If protection was abolished the farmers couldn't live here.

Mr. Kipp considered the duty on apples was insufficient, as he couldn't get prices big enough for his apples.

The report was carried and the secretary was ordered to send a copy to each of the British Columbia members of the house of commons.

Mr. G. W. Henry then reported on behalf of the judges of the spraying contest in the orchard of Mr. Munro Miller. Messrs. E. G. Prior & Co. exhibited four pumps and Mr. R. Machin a large pump for general orchard use. The judges concluded that the Huckle pump was an excellent machine for large orchards or co-operative use, but for general work the Meyer barrel pump was the more advantageous.

The special committee composed of Messrs. G. W. Henry, E. Hutherson and R. M. Palmer recommended the following resolution, which was carried: "Whereas, it has been considered necessary for the best interests of the fruit growers of the province to extend the work of this association in the way of investigating and developing the markets available for British Columbia fruit, and also by inducing them more prominently before the people of those districts by means of exhibitions.

"Resolved, that the government be respectfully requested to increase the annual grant to this association to the amount of \$15,000, in order that the work may be satisfactorily carried out."

The mayor and council, the C.P.N. Co., and the president were accorded votes of thanks and the meeting came to a close.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE RING.

San Francisco, Feb. 1.—William Kenyon Wheelock, the partner of fight-promoter Dan Stuart, is here fresh from the scene of his triumph in Nevada. Wheelock said yesterday that he was thoroughly satisfied with all that had transpired at Carson and that Corbett and Fitzsimmons would meet in the ring in that state beyond a shadow of doubt. He said decisively that neither Stuart nor himself had given the slightest intimation as to what particular place in Nevada would be selected for the fight. Wheelock said that in all probability there would be one other contest in addition to the Corbett-Fitzsimmons match. "We will very likely have a two-day programme," he said. "Mr. Stuart is anxious to get some one to go against Peter Maher, and if Godard were in this country now he would undoubtedly be given the chance. We thought of Sharkey, and it might be that an effort will be made to induce the sailor to meet Maher. We have heard that Sharkey is not looking for a fight, but as it has been said frequently that he has nobody I hardly see how he can refuse a chance of this kind. Anyhow, if he does not think well of it we will find some one else. The contest between Corbett and Fitzsimmons will take place by daylight. The intention is to have it between noon and 3 o'clock in the afternoon. George Hill, of Chicago, will be the referee, the principals having selected him."

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of William H. Penn, chief clerk in the railway mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to frequent severe attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Sold by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros. wholesale agents Victoria and Vancouver."

STORY OF FAUST.

Parts of which are to be sung by Madame Albani.

In view of Mme. Albani's appearance at the Victoria theatre on Wednesday and Thursday evenings in the third and fifth acts of Faust, the following synopsis of the story of the opera, will be of interest: Faust, a decrepit old student in Germany, who has spent his life in meditation and research, and in trying to unravel the mysteries of nature, becomes disgusted with life, and is about to end it with poison. Before he drinks the fatal cup, however, he receives his mind somewhat by cursing ambition, learning, patience and several other desirable things, and calls upon the powers of ill for help. The evil spirit in the form of Mephistopheles, readily answers his summons, and though the worried old man treats his guest rather rudely at first, they are soon friendly and Faust sells himself to the evil spirit on the condition that his youth is restored to him, which is promptly done, and the worn-out, aged student is changed to a beautiful young man in splendid attire. Mephistopheles then, by means of a vision, reveals to Faust the beautiful village maiden, Margaret, with whom he immediately falls in love. He wishes to become acquainted with her, and his desire is soon afterwards gratified. Margaret, noted both for her loveliness and virtue, has been left by her brother Valentine, a soldier, under the care of Dame Martha, a good though not very vigilant personage. Siebel, an effeminate young man, is a rival of Faust's for the hand of Margaret, and in the beginning of the third act he places a bouquet of flowers on a seat in the garden near Margaret's house for her to find when she comes out. As soon as Siebel has gone Faust arrives with his newly gotten friend, and seeing Master Siebel's flowers, Mephistopheles tells Faust to remain where he is whilst he fetches something rarer than flowers to tempt the pretty maiden. Faust thereupon fills up his spare moments by singing a beautiful song, which lasts just long enough to enable the evil one to return with a casket of jewels. These, in spite of the slight protest from Faust, he deposits where Margaret will see them, and leads away the rejuvenated hero. Of course Margaret immediately comes out and begins to sing. She catches sight first of the flowers and then of the casket, and with that curiosity which is supposed to be natural to her sex she peeps into the little box, just one peep, and then she tries on the jewels, and then, finding underneath the jewels a mirror, which the wicked one had thoughtfully placed there, she admires herself for several minutes, singing the while the famous jewel song. Space forbids us giving the story in full, so it must suffice to tell how Faust is at first rejected, but how, when aided by the demoniacal influence of Mephistopheles (who is anxious to destroy another human soul) he urges his suit with such ardor that Margaret's resistance is at length overcome. Her brother Valentine, returning from the wars, learns what has happened, and challenges Faust, but through the intervention of Mephistopheles he is slain in the encounter. Margaret, who is har-

stricken at the calamity of which she is the cause, gives way to despair. Her reason becomes affected, and in a fit of frenzy she kills her child. She is thrown into prison for that crime. Faust, with the aid of Mephistopheles, obtains access to the cell where she is imprisoned. They both eagerly urge her to fly, but Margaret, in whom holier feelings have gained the ascendancy, spurns the proffered assistance, and places her reliance in repentance and prayer. Overcome by sorrow and remorse and with an earnest prayer for forgiveness on her lips, the unhappy girl expires. Mephistopheles then triumphs at the catastrophe he has been able to bring about, but to finish this beautiful opera, a chorus of celestial voices is heard, proclaiming pardon for the repentant sinner, and the evil spirit, foiled and overcome, before departing with Faust for other regions, crooneth suppliantly as the accents of divine love and forgiveness are heard, while the spirit of Margaret, borne by angels, is wafted upwards to its heavenly home.

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

Statement of the Output for the Month of January.

Following is the list of foreign coal shipments for the month of January:

Date	Name and Destination	Tons
5-88	City of Everett, 'Frisco.	3,862
8-88	Willapa, Pt. Townsend.	56
11-88	Kva, 'Frisco.	4,504
13-88	Willapa, Juneau.	21
14-88	P. Jensen, Los Angeles.	4,590
19-88	City of Everett, 'Frisco.	3,813
19-88	Tacoma, Pt. Townsend.	22
21-88	Wanderer, Pt. Townsend.	43
22-88	Ship Elwell, 'Frisco.	2,222
23-88	Willapa, Pt. Townsend.	63
24-88	P. Jensen, Los Angeles.	4,650
		23,783

Wellington Shipping.

1-88	Al-Ki, Mary Island.	500
2-88	Signal, Astoria.	430
4-88	City of Puella, Seattle.	500
5-88	Ship J. C. Potter, 'Frisco.	1,930
9-88	Wellington, 'Frisco.	2,550
9-88	Walla Walla, Seattle.	800
13-88	City of Topeka, Sitka.	124
15-88	Florida, Portland.	700
18-88	Angela, Pt. Townsend.	65
19-88	City of Puella, Whatcom.	600
19-88	Costa Rica, 'Frisco.	2,500
20-88	Jeanie, 'Frisco.	1,250
23-88	Wellington, 'Frisco.	2,650
27-88	Holyoke, Pt. Townsend.	45
		14,054

Union Shipping.

7-88	San Mateo, 'Frisco.	3,000
7-88	Costa Rica, 'Frisco.	2,500
14-88	Edith, Tacoma.	23
14-88	Mlowera, Victoria.	800
14-88	Minnesota, 'Frisco.	3,050
14-88	Florida, Portland.	4,167
20-88	San Mateo, 'Frisco.	4,000
		18,540

RECAPITULATION.

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.
New V. & Co.	10,032	31,913	23,783
Wellington	28,068	25,000	14,054
Union	500	14,805	18,540
Total	47,400	71,837	56,377

THE PROPHET OF PEACE.

Rev. S. Cleaver's Sermon on the Life and Career of Elsha.

The sermon yesterday morning in the Metropolitan Methodist church on the Prophet of Peace opened with a short review of the first discourse for the information of those whom the snow storm of the preceding Sunday had prevented from attending. Elsha's succession to the high prophetic office after years of training and study under his great predecessor and the commencement of his career by the miraculous dividing of the Jordan were then briefly touched upon. As a preface to the sweetening of the waters of Jericho the preacher spoke of the beautiful situation and surroundings of that city, then recovering from the curse pronounced upon it when the Israelites first conquered the land, "but the waters were bitter and the land barren." Another "but" occurred later in the history of God's chosen people where the great Syrian general had all the good things that could be bestowed, upon him, "but he was a leper." So of many kingdoms and countries that were beautiful for situation, climate, soil and scenery, all that could be desired, but they were in heathenish darkness and savagery; and enlightened people would as soon think of sending their sons to a pest house as to those otherwise favored lands. Elsha with his "crusa" healed the waters of the fountain head and all the streams became pure and sweet, fertilizing the barren lands and scattering unnumbered blessings in its course, and so of the Gospel of peace. It had spread from the upper room at Jerusalem, to Corinth, to Athens, to Imperial Rome, and thence to Britain and many other lands, transforming, humanizing and elevating in the scale of being heathen and savage nations, till almost the whole world is more or less governed by its influence. Thus the crusa of the Gospel is not only healing the nations but is felt in the home, harmonizing the discordant elements and making the fireside the abode of peace and love. So of the churches and communities the world over. What the prophet's crusa did for the city and realm of Jericho the Gospel crusa is doing in a far grander scale for all the people of the earth and shall continue to do until all shall have acknowledged its divine power and be governed by its high precepts.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Toronto, Jan. 30.—The World says it is likely the Dominion government will shortly appoint E. E. Sheppard, the present editor of the Evening Star, as special commissioner to South America. The World repeats the rumor that Speaker Elgar will shortly succeed Hon. G. E. Kirkpatrick as lieutenant-governor of Ontario.

Winnipeg, Jan. 30.—Mr. Greenway desires Mr. Foster's statement that Mr. Laurier had entered into a compact re the school question prior to the elections.

The Henley fund has now reached \$1,770. The printers on the Nor'Wester are out on strike.

Montreal, Jan. 30.—Mayor William Smith will resign to the Governor-General in a few days \$20,000 as Montreal's contribution to the Indian relief fund.

Hamilton, Jan. 30.—A big strike is threatened here by garment makers. The contractors have received their orders from Sanford & Co. The prices are generally reduced from 20 to 30 per cent. Hands to the number of nearly four thousand refuse to take the work at the reduced rate.

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